

8TH ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOODS AND CODES CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 27-29, 2006 at the CHATTANOOGA CONVENTION CENTER

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The City of Chattanooga and the Department of Neighborhood Services and Community Development are proud to present the 2006 Neighborhoods and Codes Conference. This year's theme is *"Laying the Foundation for Better Neighborhoods... One Brick at a Time."* We are sure that issues will be addressed that will be beneficial to you and your community. We look forward seeing you, and are confident that you can put into practice what you learn from the workshops. Start laying the foundation for better neighborhoods...*one brick at a time!*



Ron Littlefield
Mayor of Chattanooga



Beverly P. Johnson
Administrator,
Neighborhood Services Department



Vanessa Jackson
Program Manager and
Conference Coordinator

2006 Neighborhoods Conference

— Limited to 300 attendees —

Wednesday, September 27

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Registration
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Opening Session <ul style="list-style-type: none">Codes for Dummies
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Reception

This reception promises to be one full of networking opportunities and enjoyment. Come meet new neighbors and colleagues as well as acquaint yourself with others. We're providing the food and entertainment; you bring your business cards and a good neighborhood success story!

Thursday, September 28

7:45 - 8:30 a.m.	Registration
7:45 - 9:00 a.m.	Opening Session and Breakfast
9:00 - 10:15 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Faith-Based InitiativesGrassroots FundraisingSafe Neighborhoods
10:30 - 11:45 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Celebrate Arts, Diversity, and Neighborhoods!Section 8 Housing Standards"Common Vision": The Basics of Community OrganizingDisability Issues in Neighborhoods
12:00 noon	Luncheon
1:45 - 3:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Show Me the Money!Citizen Involvement in Code EnforcementGood Hearted Neighbors Enduring a "Good Timing House": Abating Chronic Nuisance Properties
3:15-4:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Predatory LendingLandlord Tenant and Tenant RightsMulticulturalism Bilingual Mingle

Friday, September 29

Breakfast on Your Own

8:00 - 9:15 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Lead Paint Work Practices Course (ALL DAY)Block Captain Training, Part IHealthy People, Healthy Neighborhoods: Data, Values, ActionGentrification
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9:30 - 10:45 a.m.

- Block Captain Training, Part II
- Neighborhood Planning
- Conflict Resolution

11:00 - 12:15 p.m.

- Health Alternatives in Urban Neighborhoods
- The Greatest Generation, Boomers, GenX, and Millennial: Where are we in the Neighborhood?
- Challenges and Opportunities in Youth Development

12:30 p.m.

Luncheon
Conference Adjourns

2006 Codes Conference

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5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Opening Session Codes for Dummies
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9:00 - 10:30 a.m.	Nuisance Properties: The Role of Code Enforcement
10:45 - 12:00 noon	Plumbing and Electrical Code Concepts
1:45 - 3:00 p.m.	Cost Estimating
3:15 - 4:30 p.m.	Life Safety Code Principles

Friday, September 29

8:00 - 9:45 p.m.	Arson Investigation
10:30 - 12:15 p.m.	Principles of I.C.C existing building code
12:30 p.m.	Closing Luncheon Conference Adjourns

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Hotel Information

Staybridge Suites
1300 Carter Street
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402
Telephone (423) 267-0900
Fax (423) 267-0945
www.staybridge.com

*Staybridge Suites are located adjacent to
Chattanooga Convention Center.*

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Hotel Rates: Studio — \$ 89.00 per night
One Bedroom Suite — \$99.00 per night

Conference Registration Information

Conference Fee: *Absolutely FREE for All Attendees**

Conference Location: Chattanooga Convention Center
1100 Carter Street, Chattanooga, TN 37402

Registration Form should be returned to:

City of Chattanooga Department of Neighborhood Services
and Community Development
1110 Market Street • Suite 333B • Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402
Attn: Elluwead Love • (423) 425-3700 • love_ellu@mail.chattanooga.gov

Name _____ Title _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Employer _____

Affiliation or Community Organization _____

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Conference Preference:

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Neighborhoods

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Codes

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Lead Paint Work Practices Course (for remodelers,
renovators and maintenance workers)

Meals: Please check the meal function(s) you plan to attend:

Wednesday, September 27

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Reception

Thursday, September 28

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Opening Session/Breakfast

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Luncheon

Friday, September 29

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Luncheon

Deadlines:

Conference Registration: September 13, 2006

Hotel Registration: September 13, 2006

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***Codes Conference:** Limited to first 150 registrants

***Guest requiring accessibility accommodations or other
special needs, please call (423)425-3700 by September 15, 2006.***

Which workshops are right for you?



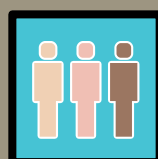
Homeowners



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HUD



Diversity



Safety



Construction



Codes Training



Community
Organizing

2006 Neighborhoods Conference Workshops



“Codes for Dummies” – Basic City Codes Requirements and Enforcement Processes

Designed for Neighborhoods and Codes Tracks

If there is one topic that concerns citizens and codes professionals alike, it's the enforcement of the City Code. The good news is that code enforcement can be made simple enough so that it can be communicated and understood by all, thereby yielding more effective results. This forum is designed for neighborhood activists as well as codes professionals. In this opening forum learn what to look for, how to report it, and how citizens and codes professions can work together to help improve the appearance and value of any community.



Faith-Based Initiatives: Mustard Seeds, Divinity, and Faith

If you believe in them, they will come! Faith-based organizations (churches, mosques, temples, etc.) lead more than the spiritual life of their members. Learn practical steps for building partnerships with faith-based groups and learn how they have positively impacted life for neighborhoods.



Grassroots Fundraising

Looking for a way to successfully finance your neighborhood projects? Unfortunately, you must do more than depend on good luck to meet your organization's fundraising goals. Come learn the basic techniques of how to launch a successful fundraising campaign.



Safe Neighborhoods

As one of Project Safe Neighborhoods bumper sticker declares, “We hope you like prison food – gun crime means hard time!”. Hear how our federal government is partnering with local law enforcement and prosecutors to take the worst of the worst off the streets for serious neighborhood safety improvements.



Celebrate Arts, Celebrate Diversity, Celebrate Neighborhoods!

Dynamic neighborhoods embrace the importance of educational and cultural opportunities and celebrate the artistic tapestry that is unique to every community. This workshop showcases The City of Chattanooga's Department of Education Arts and Culture and how they mobilize their resources to increase awareness and responsibility in the areas of education, the arts, culture and social issues in your neighborhood.



Section 8 Housing Standards, Requirements, and Enforcement

Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Section 8 vouchers help ensure safe, decent, affordable housing is available in our neighborhoods. Learn what standards are required for Section 8 properties and how to work with Chattanooga Housing Authority if Section 8 properties in your neighborhood fall below requirements.



“Common Vision” – The Basics of Community Organizing

“Common Vision” is a workbook for starting or re-starting a neighborhood association. This workshop is designed to guide neighbors and neighborhood leaders through topics and techniques that you can employ for your group's growth and development.



Disability Issues in Neighborhoods

Did you know that the disabled community is one the fastest growing populations in our nation today? This workshop is designed to answer questions and to destroy some of the myths concerning people with disabilities in order to create more inclusive and accessible neighborhoods for all.



Show Me the Money? Show Me the Track Record!

HUD Community Development Block Grants and Related Funding Overview

Many times we hear about Community Development Block Grants and organizations interested in applying for CDBG and other HUD program funds. Get the straight skinny on who is eligible (only IRS-designated nonprofit corporations), and what makes a proposed CDBG program fundable.



Going A Step Further: Citizen Involvement in Code Enforcement

This session will focus on how citizens can get more involved in neighborhood code enforcement. We will review the Fort Worth, Texas Code Rangers Program and how it provides for recruiting, training, and empowering volunteer residents to deal with code violations. The session will also look at other ways that individuals and neighborhoods associations can partner with Codes Enforcement to make a bigger impact in cleaning up and maintaining their neighborhoods.



Good Hearted Neighbors Enduring a “Good Timing House”: Abating Chronic Nuisance Properties

Do you ever want to just quit calling the police about that house that you know they have to know about with all the loud noise and cars coming and going? Learn why you should NOT quit calling, and how Chattanooga Police Department Civil Enforcement Division can protect neighborhoods from seemingly permanent problems.



Homeowners Beware! Predatory Lending

What you need to know to protect your home, your family, your neighbors, and your neighborhood

Woody Guthrie told us in the 1930s that “...as I’ve wandered through this world, I’ve seen lots of funny men – some will rob you with a six gun and some with a fountain pen...”. Learn how to protect neighbors from some of the ones with fountain pens that can financially destroy a family and take the family home and other assets.



Landlords and Tenants Both Have Rights – Here’s What They Are!

This workshop outlines the rights and duties of both landlords and tenants. Additionally, participants will explore creative and effective techniques for neighborhood groups, landlords, and renters to work together so that everyone benefits.



Multiculturalism the Bilingual Mingle – Straight Talk & Street Talk on Neighborhoods

Race/ethnicity, language, disability, gender, and America the Great Melting Pot—language and culture are important elements of families and neighborhoods, and when we better understand and enjoy ours and others, the entire community is enriched and enabled to grow together in friendliness and effectiveness.



Lead Paint Work Practices Course (All Day Training)

This 8-hour workshop presented by the National Paint and Coatings Association targets contractors and subcontractors who wish to be certified by HUD to work with lead-based paint in renovation or other construction projects.



Block Captain Training for Neighborhoods – Part I

If you are ready to get organized and maximize the effectiveness of your neighborhood watch program, this workshop provides practical tools and proven strategies to help make your home and neighborhood an environment that deters crime.



Healthy People, Healthy Neighborhoods: Data, Values, Action

This workshop is designed to examine important issues and indicators that impact the health status of residents of any given community. An interactive discussion will be held with participants regarding the “value of health and “actions” recommended to promote healthy residents and healthy neighborhoods.”



Gentrification

It’s wonderful when our property increases in value – except when that means our taxes triple and we were already on a “fixed” household budget. Learn how the changes that come with gentrification can be an asset to a community, as well as techniques for minimizing the negative impacts on vulnerable families.



Block Captain Training for Neighborhoods – Part II

This is the second part to Block Captains Part I.



Neighborhood Planning and Neighborhood Plans

A "Neighborhood Plan": What it is, what it does, and what is left for neighborhoods leadership to accomplish.

Learn how to review and analyze Neighborhood Plans (comprehensive and land use) and how they can sometimes be powerfully used to support the goals of the neighborhood in very concrete ways.



Conflict Resolution: Respect, Interests, and Opportunities for Growth

Conflict may sometimes be uncomfortable, but it presents opportunities to clarify our common interests and show respect to one another – especially when we disagree. Learn approaches and tools to help you to work out what you have in common regardless of whether the conflict is within your organization or with other community stakeholders.



Aging Policy – The Greatest Generation, Boomers, GenX, and Millennials

Where are we in the neighborhood and where do our paths cross? How can paths between generations walk us to the best possible future?

Our population, locally and nationally, is changing rapidly and permanently in terms of how generations relate to and care for one another. Opportunities to close the gaps and support the needs of all our generations are near to hand; learn how to implement helpful steps within your neighborhood.



Challenges and Opportunities in Youth Development

Community Development and Neighborhood Leaders have a responsibility to prepare the next generation to take the reins in the decision making and planning process of revitalizing neighborhoods. This workshop is designed to introduce neighborhood leaders to ways they can ignite energy into young people so that young people can in turn breathe innovative, new life into the community.

2006 Codes Conference Workshops



Nuisance Properties: The Role of Code Enforcement

Topic includes presentation and discussion of the role of the Code Official in obtaining compliance with both residential and commercial properties that are a perpetual nuisance. Areas of discussion will include current ICC property maintenance codes, the role and enforcement of zoning ordinances, the impact of vacant structures and discussion of both legal and illegal non-conforming land use as they pertain to quality of life within a community.



Plumbing and Electrical Code Concepts

Course provides an overview of plumbing installation concepts as well as an overview of the National Electrical Code (NEC). Basic concepts for construction techniques and procedures, as well as installation and inspection requirements covered.



Cost Estimating

Course will provide a basic understanding of residential cost planning techniques including labor and material costs, overhead, hidden costs, scheduling to maintain effective spending, bid proposals and profit margins.



Life Safety Code Principles

Course will provide an overview of the Life Safety Code, cover construction, installation and inspection requirements, and technical knowledge needed to ensure minimum requirements are met. Topics include terminology, plans review, building construction, egress requirements, occupancy classification and building protection systems.



Arson Investigation

Course is designed to inform and educate participants in fire origin and cause basics. Topics include defining arson, understanding the impact of arson, defining fire, fire ignition and fire patterns and burn indicators and causes.



Principles of the ICC Existing Building Code

A general overview of current residential building codes as recognized by the International Code Council (ICC). Course will include presentation and discussion of topics including building planning, fire protection, occupancy needs, structural systems, structural materials, building envelope, non-structural materials, and building services and special construction.